

28 February 2023

IOTC CIRCULAR 2023–13

Dear Sir/Madam

CONCERNING THE SUBMISSION OF THE STANDARD QUESTIONNAIRE ON COMPLIANCE WITH IOTC RESOLUTIONS

In accordance with Appendix V, paragraph 4.1 (ii) of the IOTC Rules of Procedure (2022), (*Compliance Committee – Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure*), I would like to invite CPCs to review the responses to the IOTC Compliance Questionnaire, which have been shared in the e-MARIS application and published in the [meeting page of the Compliance Committee 20](#). I would further like to invite CPCs to provide their comments and possible questions on these responses. To allow the Chairperson of the Compliance Committee and the IOTC Secretariat to identify and report on non-compliance issues, at the next Compliance Committee meeting, please provide your feedback no later than 1 April 2023.

To date, only 22 of 31 CPCs have submitted their completed Compliance Questionnaire. These are: Australia, Bangladesh, China, European Union, France (OT), Indonesia, I.R. Iran, Japan, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mozambique, Philippines, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Tanzania, Thailand, United Kingdom.

I would like to encourage CPCs that have not yet submitted their completed Compliance Questionnaire to do so at their earliest convenience to allow the Compliance Committee to assess the level of compliance with IOTC Resolutions, by each CPC.

Yours sincerely



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Executive Secretary

Attachments:

- None.

Distribution

IOTC Contracting Parties: Australia, Bangladesh, China, Comoros, Eritrea, European Union, France (Territories), India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Rep of), Japan, Kenya, Rep. of Korea, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Mozambique, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Seychelles, Somalia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, United Rep. of Tanzania, Thailand, United Kingdom, Yemen. **Cooperating Non-Contracting Parties:** Liberia. **Intergovernmental Organisations, Non-Governmental Organisations.** **Chairperson IOTC.** **Copy to:** FAO Headquarters, FAO Representatives to CPCs.

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